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SUBJECT: E&E DRILL

REF: STATE 15418

1. PREVIOUS TWO SIMULATED FULL EVACUATIONS (12/16 AND 10/15) WERE HELD WITHOUT WARNING. VEHICLES AND PERSONNEL WERE ASSEMBLED AND DEPARTED CAMP IN ABOUT 40 MINUTES.

2. THERE WERE, HOWEVER, TWO CONSTRAINTS. C&R DESTRUCTION WAS THEN ESTIMATED TO TAKE AN HOUR AND 27 MINUTES. THIS WAS SHORTENED BY PROCUREMENT OF NEW SODIUM NITRATE BARRELS AND BY PRACTICES IN DISMANTLING CRYPTO BOARDS. SECOND WAS THAT VEHICLES COULD BE GASSED UP BUT THEIR STATE OF READINESS (SPARE TIRES, JACKS, SHOVELS, WATER CANS, EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT) WAS VERY POOR. SFM/ESY WAS DIRECTED TO CORRECT THIS.

3. E AND E OF 1/22 WAS INTENDED TO TEST PROCEDURES AND EXTENT VEHICLE READINESS UNDER EXPECTABLE E&E TIMEFRAME. WARDENS MEETING WAS CALLED AT 1100 AND EVACUATION ANNOUNCED FOR 1500. MUCH OF CAMP OPERATIONS WENT ON AS NORMAL WHILE E&E REQUIREMENTS WERE EASILY MET WITHIN FOUR HOURS. VEHICLE READINESS WAS 100 PERCENT.

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4. DRILL ADDED SOME REFINEMENTS TO PROCEDURES. MOCK DEPARTURE CABLES HAVE BEEN INTRODUCED LISTING ALL PERSONNEL EVACUATED, PASSING INFORMATION TO NEIGHBORING POSTS ON DEPENDENTS OR OTHER STAFF IN THEIR JURISDICTIONS, AND NOTIFYING APPROPRIATE LIAISON OFFICES OF DEPARTURE. CHECKLIST ALSO DEVELOPED COVERING SUBJECTS FOR WARDENS MEETING, SEQUENCE OF ORGANIZATION, AND FINAL CHECKOUTS BEFORE DEPAR-

TURE.

5. PRESENT E AND E PLAN REMAINS SOUND. NEEDS CONSIDERABLE SELECTIVE DECLASSIFICATION AND SOME UPDATING OF DATA, PARTICULARLY ON C&R. WILL SUBMIT SUGGESTIONS.

6. NEXT QUARTER'S FULL E&E WILL SIMULATE SIMULTANEOUS DEPARTURE AND SETTING UP OF 18 MAN SKELETON STAFF. WE CONTINUE TO TEST E&E READINESS USING DIFFERENT ANNEXES TO THE PLAN ON UNSCHEDULED UNANNOUNCED BASIS APPROX EVERY 10 DAYS.
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